

HOUSE BILL 37

By Hackworth

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 22,  
Chapter 4, Part 1, relative to compensation of  
jurors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 22-4-101, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) Every regular juror, including jurors on chancery court juries, is entitled to receive at least twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each day's attendance.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 22-4-101, is further amended by deleting subsection (b) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(b) The legislative body of any county or the legislative body of the metropolitan form of government may by vote increase this rate to an amount in excess of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each day's attendance. The legislative body of any county or the legislative body of the metropolitan form of government may also by vote increase this rate to a greater amount for those persons who are self-employed or who are otherwise not compensated by an employer. Every regular juror, including jurors on chancery court juries, is entitled to receive all tolls necessarily incurred in going to and returning from court and mileage at the rate authorized for state employees who have been authorized to use personally owned vehicles in the daily performance of their vehicles, or in the alternative such county may pay each juror a flat rate of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per day, or any county with a metropolitan or home rule type of government may, at its option, set the compensation for each juror in its county by ordinance, to be paid out of the county treasury.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 22-4-102, is amended by deleting such section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

Section 22-4-102. For boarding and lodging each jury, persons shall be allowed an expense allowance equal to the allowance granted federal employees for expenditure reimbursement for the area of such jury.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.